



STATE OF DELAWARE
Child Death, Near Death and Stillbirth Commission

FINAL MINUTES

Meeting Date and Time: July 10, 2015 at 1:00 PM

Meeting Location: Appoquinimink State Service Center in Middletown, DE

In Attendance:

Commissioners:

Ms. Margaret Rose Agostino
Ms. Aleks Casper
Ms. Patricia Ciranni
Dr. Garrett H. C. Colmorgen, Chair
Ms. Mary Ann Crosley
Ms. Tania Culley, Esquire
Dr. Gerard Gallucci
Ms. Laura Giles
Dr. Vicky Kelly
Ms. MaryAnn Mieczkowski
Ms. Janice Mink
Ms. Leslie Newman
Cpl. Adrienne Owen
Ms. Allison Reardon

Others:

Ms. Rosalie Morales
Ashlee Starratt

CDNDSC Staff:

Ms. Anne Pedrick
Ms. Angela Birney
Ms. Courtney Rapone
Ms. Kimberly Liprie

I. Call to Order

Dr. Garrett H. C. Colmorgen called the meeting to order at 1:08 PM and introductions were made.

II. Old Business

- a. **Minutes.** The general meeting minutes from May 13, 2015, were accepted without change.
- b. **HB 136.** House Bill 136 has been approved, which moves the responsibility for reviewing child deaths and near deaths due to abuse or neglect from CDNDSC to the Child Protection Accountability Commission (CPAC) a two to four month transition should be expected for that to occur. Angela Birney will be moving to the Office of the Child Advocate as a result.

III. Updates

- a. **Executive Director Report.** The Executive Director discussed the status of all cases and presented a spread sheet to explain the case status in better detail. The Executive Director explained that currently there are a total of 115 CAN cases. Please see the summary datasheet for further explanation.
 - The Executive Committee gave its approval to the CAN Panel to identify “findings” instead of “recommendations” moving forward, which will help streamline the review process.
 - The Executive Director has been working with the Executive Committee and will be meeting with them monthly to discuss agency and process improvements.
- b. **National Update.** The grant with the National Center for Child Death Review and Fetal Infant Mortality Review was approved by Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA). This will become effective July 1, 2015.
- c. **CPAC Update.** No update to report.
- d. **DHMIC Update.** A retreat was held two weeks ago. Their agenda for the upcoming year will include a stronger focus on social determinants of health.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously decided to exit Executive Session.

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